

LEAD ELIMINATION ASSISTANCE PROGRAM

Virginia is "leaping" forward to replace LSLs



INTRODUCTION

The Financial & Construction Assistance Programs (FCAP) in ODW at VDH established its original **Lead Service Line Replacement (LSLR)** Program in 2017.



The Lead Elimination Assistance Program "LEAP" campaign was recently launched to promote the program and to educate both localities and homeowners about the dangers of lead service lines.

PARTNERSHIPS

As of 2022, LEAP is currently partnered with:

- **City of Richmond** (Department of Public Utilities)
- **City of Alexandria** (VA American Water)
- **City of Chesapeake** (Department of Public Utilities)

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<https://www.vdh.virginia.gov/drinking-water/fcap/leap/localities-waterworks/>

Eligibility:

- Funding is available for **community waterworks** or **non-profit non-transient waterworks** owners with confirmed or suspected LSLs
- **Single family homes** and **apartments** are both eligible. For apartments, documentation is needed for each unit even if the plumbing is identical
- **Schools** and **daycares** are eligible but are targeted through **WIIN funding**. Contact Tony.Singh@vdh.virginia.gov for more information: (804) 864-7517

Funding available:

- **Up to \$5,000** for each service line replaced on the private side
- **Up to \$500** of the \$5,000 may be used for **admin/investigative work/PPE**
- VDH reserves the right to limit the grant to a total of **\$500,000 per applicant for LSL replacement** per funding year, and the **admin costs to \$25,000**
- New for FY2023 - Up to **\$250,000 for building LSL Inventories** now available
- All LEAP funding is **100% grant funds** (principal forgiveness)
- LEAP funding **may be combined** with DWSRF (non-lead) and BIL funding
- **\$2M is allocated for LEAP** per funding application cycle

Restrictions:

- Must be a **complete replacement**
- Partial replacements are only allowed if it **results in a complete replacement**
- **Excludes premise plumbing** (sinks, toilets, etc.) - however, it does include pipe entry at or into the structure, up to and including the shut off valve